PATENT

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance; comprising:

a memory core having a depth that defines a plurality of words, and a word width that is defined by multiple pairs of a global bitline and a global complementary bitline;

a core cell having a bitline and a complementary bitline;

a flipped core cell that has a flipped bitline and a flipped complementary bitline, the multiple pairs of the global bitline and the global complementary bitline have a plurality of core cells that are defined by alternating ones of the core cell and the flipped core.

- 2. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in claim 1, wherein the bitline of the core cell is coupled with the flipped complementary bitline of the flipped core cell, and the complementary bitline of the core cell is coupled to the flipped bitline of the flipped core cell.
- 3. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in claim 2, wherein successive pairs of the core cell and the flipped core cell are aligned along each of the multiple pairs of the global bitline and the global complementary bitline.

PATENT

Appl. No. 10/026,245

Amdt. dated October 29, 2004

Reply to Office action of August 26, 2004

4. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 3, wherein the core cell and the flipped core cell have an identical pair of cross-coupled

inverters.

5. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 4, wherein each of the identical pair of cross-coupled inverters includes two P-type

transistors and two N-type transistors.

6. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 4, wherein each of the core cell and the flipped core cell have a pair of passgate

transistors that are coupled to a respective one of the plurality of words.

7. (currently amended) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance

as recited in claim 1, wherein the memory device is laid-out on multiple layers of a

semiconductor device.

8. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 7, wherein the core cell and the flipped core cell have cross-coupled inverters that

include four transistors, the four transistors have gates that are laid out in polysilicon and

cross-coupling connections that are at least partially connected through a multi-layer

interconnect structure.

9. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 8, wherein when the cross-coupling connections are at least partially connected through

Attorney Docket No. ARTCP012C

4

PATENT

Appl. No. 10/026,245 Amdt. dated October 29, 2004

Reply to Office action of August 26, 2004

a multi-layer interconnect structure, the core cell and the flipped core cell layout sizes are

substantially reduced.

10. (original) A memory device having equalized bitline capacitance as recited in

claim 1, further comprising:

a memory generator for designing the memory device.

11. (currently amended) A memory device[[;]] comprising:

a memory core having a depth that defines a plurality of words, and a word width that

is defined by multiple pairs of a global bitline and a global complementary bitline;

a core cell having a bitline and a complementary bitline;

a flipped core cell that has a flipped bitline and a flipped complementary bitline; and

a plurality of the core cell in a column and a plurality of the flipped core cell are

arranged in the column, such that the plurality of the core cell equals the plurality of the

flipped core cell.

5